

STATUS OF INDIAN IN U. S. IMPROVING

Own Property Valued at
Billion and Half.

Washington.—American Indians are no longer a vanishing race. They own property of all kinds valued at more than a billion and a half dollars and those who are competent to handle their affairs are free from jurisdiction of the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs. Only 15 per cent of the members of the five civilized tribes of Oklahoma come under the jurisdiction of this bureau. Altogether about one-third of the Indians in this country are free of the jurisdiction of the United States.

The Indians have made more rapid progress during the last 50 years than any other dependent people in the history of the world. In their efforts they have been aided by the government. In their ambition to be self-supporting they have gone a long way toward success. Actual figures show that the death rate of the Indians has decreased from 25.5 per 1,000 in 1911 to 21.8 per 1,000 in 1912. The birth rate has increased to exceed the death rate. In 1904 there were about 250,000 Indians and the population in 1928 is approximately 350,000.

Citizenship has been conferred upon all Indians in the United States. Prior to 1924, only two-thirds of them were citizens. The United States Supreme Court holds that "citizenship is not a privilege which can be conferred or withheld at the discretion of the government, but it is a right which cannot be taken away from a citizen without due process of law."

Social life for the Indian is broadening with his interest in education and industry. The fact that more Indian children than ever before are attending public schools indicates the progress that has been made. On many reservations the government schools have been displaced entirely by the public schools. But there is still an enormous need for Indian schools, for there are 200 reservations with almost 100,000 Indian children. The government has been unable to provide for the needs of the early Indian. Difficulties have arisen in educating them because they learned English as a foreign language. If they learned it at all, the Indian parents were antagonistic to the movement. However, there have been many who have been successful in educating their children.

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We have provided a special counter in our Basement where you may bring your gifts and have them neatly wrapped and boxed all ready for presentation.

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You may come to Guggenheimer's and have your packages mailed. A government postal clerk stationed at the desk will give you mailing rates and insure or register packages. Mailing Desk Conveniently Located in the Basement.

The Gift Box
Containing an Extraordinary Gift Value at a Featured Price

SILVERWARE \$5
Quadruple plate silver on nickel base—silverware that is guaranteed indefinitely.

Antelope Bags \$5.95
Antelope, the choice of fashion for bags. A bag of genuine antelope, soft and supple, beautifully worked and finished, will prove an irresistible gift to any woman of discernment, whether it be the new Vagabond shape, or the envelope or backpack. To be had in black and brown at \$5.95.

Striking Scarfs \$2.95
Scarfs are so bright, gay, dashing. They are always charming, especially if they are the new Chanel "long" ones that are so striking and sophisticated in their clever design of contrasting colors.

Gloves for Gifts \$2.95
Gloves have for themselves a permanent place on the gift list of the discriminating woman. They are a gift "sans reproche".

5 lb. Box Chocolates \$2.79
Candies are as much a part of the "fixings" for Christmas as plum pudding, turkey and a tree. They must be had in candies to go in stockings and above all decorative candies for the Christmas Tree. You will find our assortment varied—they are so temptingly boxed, so beautifully varied.

Useful Gifts at \$1.00
Hand Embroidered Colored Pillow Cases \$1.00
Hand Embroidered Colored Border Linen Towels \$1.00
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3-piece Hand Embroidered Buffet Sets \$1.00
All Linen Bridge Table Covers \$1.00
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Boudoir Slippers 59c
Leather boudoir slippers in a wide variety of colors, with little pom-poms. They are to be had in all sizes and will be ideal as gifts. They're inexpensive, too. 59c a pair.

Handmade Gowns \$1.00
Beautiful handmade and hand embroidered gowns of good quality nainsook. Some have colored embroidery, others are done all in white. Various styles are included in the lot, some have a little sleeve, others have just a strap over the shoulder. Round, square and V-necks. There is a good variety to select from—but they are all alike in splendid value at \$1.00.

Ruffled Curtains \$1.19
New fresh curtains add to the atmosphere of festivity to the holiday season we offer dainty ruffled curtain sets in colors, valance and tie backs, at a special price of \$1.19 and they are to be had in orchid, gold, green, rose and blue.

**Women's Pure Linen
Handkerchiefs 39c**
Exquisitely dainty handkerchiefs of fine sheer linen, white with colored embroidery, some with spoke stitch designs, some with rolled and whipped edges, many entirely hand made, 39c each.

Mimosa Perfume \$3
Perfume... a gift of subtle flattery, of rare discrimination. Isabeau presents the lovely "Mimosa", a new and distinctive odor of exquisite dainty fragrance. A perfume gracefully interpreting the spirit of the season "Remembrance."

Smart Stationery \$1
An intriguing assortment of boxed stationery, imported and domestic. Stationery that is distinctive and unique, put up in the cleverest boxes and packages you ever saw. \$1.00.

Silk Umbrellas \$5.95
No woman could fail to be delighted with the modern silk umbrella, light, strong, beautiful—and proportioned for convenience and grace.

Reunion
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Howerton celebrated a family reunion at their home Saturday, December 13, their first reunion in fifteen years. Those present were as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Howerton and two sons of Roanoke, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Howerton and son, Pip of High Point, N. C., and Mrs. J. E. Dickerson and five children of Spout Spring, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Howerton and two sons of Roanoke, W. J. and son of Appomattox, and Mrs. E. H. Howerton of Spout Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dickerson entertained the entire family at dinner Sunday following.

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A. H. CLEMENT, Editor.
THURSDAY, DEC. 13, 1928.

Poor Rube—he's considered lucky if he pays tax tickets and gives his wife a Christmas smile.

Our merchants will do well to keep watch for robbers—they are on the road and a visit will be made when you least expect it.

It is said the chicken and egg men are to organize. What will become of the surplus? Fresh egg command the fancy prices.

Congressman Woodrum of Sixth District wants the Summer White House in Virginia—Virginia knows how to treat Presidents—they are used to them—usually they make bully good neighbors.

Spencer Harvey
This comparatively young man died at his home near Buckingham, C. H., Tuesday in the 40th year of his age. He is survived by his widow and five small children.

Mrs. Blanche W. Sweeney
Mrs. Blanche Whitney Sweeney, 65 years of age, widow of A. A. Sweeney, died yesterday morning at her home in Lynchburg. She was a native of Campbell county and daughter of the late Bradley and Mrs. Mary E. Babcock.

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Mann—St. John

On Saturday afternoon December 8, 1928, at Methodist parsonage here, Edward Mann and Miss Honey St. John were united in marriage. Mr. Mann is a well-known young man of this community and Miss St. John is from Charlotte. The couple had as witnesses the groom's sisters, Misses Coy Mae and Sallie Mann and the bride's brothers, Cullen and Crafter St. John. We wish them a long and happy life.

Honor Roll
PETTY'S FORD SCHOOL
Sixth Grade—Elizabeth Trent, Mary W. Trent.

Fourth grade—Thomas Oder, Lena Mae Ryan, Cornelia St. John, Elizabeth Williams, Willie Bell Moses, Dorris Nash, George Davis.

Third grade—Elliott Nash, Ryland Trent, Odelle Reed, Rev. Mayberry.

Second grade—Lynette Nash, Herley Thomas Trent, Willard Reed.

Henretta Berkley
This estimable lady died at her home near Rolling Hill Saturday in the 86th year of age. She was a Miss Harvey and was an aunt of our townsmen, W. M. Presidents—she is used to them—usually they make bully good neighbors.

Thos. H. Hancock
This highly respected citizen of Appomattox died at his home here to-day at noon in the 83rd year of his age. Deceased was born in Charlotte County, but had lived here the most of his life, and was a member of Liberty church, and served it as Secretary for 35 years. He was twice married. His first wife was Mackie Harvey of Charlotte and two daughters survived at her death—Mary Wright, of Clifton Forge and Nannie Campbell of Lynchburg. His second marriage was to Sallie E. Hancock, of Norfolk. His funeral will be held at Liberty church Friday at 2:30.

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Tobacco Sales

Tobacco sales on the Appomattox market yesterday, which were so far as heard from are as follows:

W. A. Weakley—8 lots—1430 pounds \$422.11; an average of \$29.51.

J. R. Harvey—4 lots—298 pounds \$43.18; average \$14.48.

R. T. Thompson—6 lots—294 pounds \$41.79; average \$14.21.

Floor average for entire sale \$13.31. C. T. MOSES.

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